THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

SATURDAY, JULY 27, 1889.

Electric Lights.

No one disputes the beauty and excellence of the incandescent electric light. It is pleasant to the eye, does not heat the air or vitiate it. These advantages, however, count for little in out-door lighting. There is no danger of overheating or vititaing the air of a whole township by four or five hundred gas lamps, nor is the light intense enough or near enough the eyes of the beholders to in any way try them.

All proposals for electre lighting of our streets are to be tested in the first instance by the simple formula "how much," and unless the scheme proposed responds satisfactorily it is useless to proceed further with the investigation. The lighting of our streets should be made less, not more expensive.

By this we mean that the gross amount expended should necessarily be less. New streets are being rapidly opened and old streets are being rapidly built upon, and more lamps become necessary every year. The gradual increase of the area to be lighted cannot be helped, but the cost per lamp is too high. It is needlessly high and a determined stand should be taken by the people for lower rates.

Now therefore, if responsible parties will undertake to light our streets for the same amount or a less amount than the gas company will undertake to light them for, by all means let us have electric lights, for Bloomfield is under no obligations to the gas company; it is not to day and never has been controlled by Bloomfielders or those who have the interest of Bloomfield before their minds.

But the increasing of our tax rate for the sake of electric lights in our streets should not be taken into consideration—No, not for one instant.

Our Banks.

THE CITIZEN has no desire to attempt to dictate to the Managers and Directors of the Bloomfield Savings Institution or the Bloomfield National Bank, but on behalf of the public wishes most respectfully to make a suggestion or two.

Bloomfield needs to-day, and has long needed a public hall of such a size, so situated and so fitted up as to afford adequate and proper facilities for public meetings and entertainments, of the larger and better sort. Whether Library Hall was or was not a proper sort of a hall for Bloomfield need not now be discussed—it seems to have passed irrevocably beyond our reach. Since the public have been deprived of its use we have made shift to use Dodd's Hall and Spragg's Pavilion for certain purposes, and imposed upon the good nature of the trustees of some of our churches for certain other purposes. But no one will deny that for many public meetings and many public entertainments Bloomfield possesses no adequate or suitable accomodations. Now if both banks made use of the ground floor of the same building, the second floor could be fitted up as a hall of ample size to meet the needs of the township for many years. The situation of the hall both as regards its location in the town and the nature of the ground floor occupancy would be all that could be desired, and sound policy would dictate appropriate fittings, furnishings and accessories.

We should not for one moment think of asking our financial institutions to place the accomodation of the public in the matter of a hall before the profitable investment of their money, but we do think that the public upon whom both institutions must depend for their support has some right that its convenience be at least taken into consideration. And if upon consideration it be found that an almost invaluable service to the town may be rendered while at the same time a certain amount of capital may be safely and profitably invested we think the opportunity ought to be embraced without a moment's hesitation. Good feeling and good policy would be united in favor of this course.

We had supposed indeed that this course had practically been decided upon but the action of the Savings Bank Managers in 'determining to build a twenty-five foot building seems to indicate that the two banks have parted company. We wish to say in the plainest terms that we would regard this as a public misfortune and a grave blunder in management. To secure the greatest benefit to the town and the greatest profits to depositors and stockholders the two banks should work in perfect harmony. This proposition is too plain to an unprejudiced observer to need argument.

But at present we are not looking at the matter from the inside but from the out, and recommend most earnestly to the Savings Bank Managers the propriety of reconsidering their recent action relative to building, and unite cordially with the National Bank Directors in making such arrangements as shall insure to the township a handsome building, fine bank accomodations and a public hall. This is a time for a large minded policy.

The fact that we have two banks in Bloomfield materially alters the investment problem of the National Bank. What might not be good policy for the National Bank alone becomes a safe as well as enterprising financial policy when the alliance with the Savings Bank is taken into consideration.

But it is not our intention to argue this matter, but to urge the consideration of it with the greatest earnestness upon the Managers and Directors of the two banks.

THE DELUGE.

Bloomfield's Flooded Districts—Damage to Property by Tuesday's Visitation from the Clouds.

The topography of this quiet inland town underwent a marvellous change on Tuesday last. The rippling brooks and winding streams which lend their poetic charms to our beautiful village were suddenly transformed into raging rivers sweeping everything before them in their hurried course to the sea. Expansive lakes covered vast areas of territory. Watsessing and Dodd's Lakes, two considerable bodies of water which long since succumbed to the progress of improvements, made a magnificent effort to regain their supremacy and for a while were highly successful. The stormy weather with which the week opened culminated on Tuesday afternoon in a rainfall almost unprecedented in the history of our town. There is some difference of opinion as to whether it exceeded the rain of August, 1882, but the majority of sentiment favor last Tuesday. A heavy shower at about noon filled the small streams to the utmost carrying capacity of the culverts through which they pass. It passed over and the sun broke through the clouds, causing many people to surmise that the rain was over for the day. About 2.30 in the afternoon heavy clouds began to gather over the Orange mountain range and ominous mutterings of thunder were heard. At 3.30 the storm broke over the town and for nearly an hour and a half the rain came down in torrents. Everybody who has had any experience with heavy rains in this vicinity was convinced that a flood was imminent. The geographical position of Bloomfield is such that it receives the overflow from the Oranges and Montclair, its two principal streams, the Second River and Toney's Brook having their sources in these towns. It is this latter stream that generally does all the damage when it gets on the rampage and on this occasion it surpassed all previous records. The huge volume of water that ran into this stream from the Montclair mountain side rendered it necessary to open the flood-gates at Moffat's Pond. The Bloomfield division of the brook received a sudden and overwhelming impetus from the pond and burst through a dyke erected by the Messrs. Fritz Bros. at their moulding factory on Farrand street, A stream immense in its proportions forced its way through this breach, cutting away the bank and spreading itself over the low level ground on each side of Washington avenue until it reached the Glenwood avenue embankment with its long line of business houses and dwellings. There the water finding further progress impeded began to rise and soon flooded the cellars and basements along the street. Every movable thing in the yards of the houses on this street and Washington street between the Centre and the D. L. & W. R. R. was soon afloat. Great excitement prevailed among the inmates of the small frame dwellings on the plot north of Washington street, east of the railroad. Great fears were entertained for their safety. They were driven to the top floors of the houses and many even sought safety on the roof. These people, who as a class are very poor, will feel the loss from damage to their household furniture and utensils very severely. Mr. Lewis's, Mrs. Unangst's and Dr. W. H. Van Gieson's cellars were flooded and much damage done. Druggist J. P. Scherff, corner of Glenwood avenue and Washington street, is probably the heaviest loser, as his cellar was stocked with drugs and other perishable material. R. M. Stiles, dealer in hay, grain and feed, loses heavily. T. W. Dancer, the newsdealer, places his loss at between $800 and $1,000. The Dancer family had many valuable articles of wearing apparel ruined by water, such as sealskin sacques, furs, etc. They were preparing for supper when the flood came on them and they quickly began the work of carrying their goods from the water's reach. While thus busily engaged, Mr. Dancer was warned to look out for his horse which was in the stable in the rear. He plunged into the water, waist deep, and made his way to the stable rescuing the terrified animal. While in the water Mr. Dancer also liberated several dogs which were in imminent danger of drowning. The horses in Mr. Dawkins' stable had to be taken out. Messrs. Speer, Geib and Spragg, saloon-keepers, had considerable property destroyed. A hole was broken through the foundation walls under John Young's hardware store which allowed opportunity for a part of the water to escape into the Glenwood avenue culvert. John Herrmann, the shoe dealer, lost about $100 worth of property. He had built a small summer pavilion in the yard back of his store which he used for a sleeping apartment in the summer. The water ruined this little place together with two valuable feather beds and their accontrements. All the business establishments on this block suffered from the flood. Mr. John G. Keyler had to remove his horses and wagons from his stables, the yard being three feet deep in water.

During the rain storm the Centre presented the appearance of a lake with the fountain resembling an island in its centre. The damage to the side hill roads in Glen Ridge will amount to considerable. In many places they are in a terrible condition. The Glenwood avenue arch was insufficient to carry off the immense body of water coming down the brook and a huge roaring sea was backed up over the low land at this point. The yard surrounding Abel Dey's Bakery on the corner of Linden and Glenwood avenues was flooded and a large quantity of flour stored in a shed was spoiled by the water. Further down Glenwood avenue a scene of wild excitement was witnessed. The land here is naturally low and swampy and it was not long before all the houses were surrounded by an immense lake. The inmates were terrified beyond measure as they imagined that all the horrors of Johnstown had come upon them. Some few of them recovered presence of mind enough to devote themselves to saving the property that was beginning to float off. Clothes lines were brought into requisition and made fast to out-houses, chicken-coops, dog-kennels and other articles that developed a tendency to go a voyaging. Venturesome small boys experienced much fun in this work, to the terror of their distracted mothers. The water proved rough on rats and whenever a stable was flooded these vermin could be seen scampering aloft. Contractor Hubert Ashley had to remove his horses and wagons to a place of safety, as the water attained a depth of four feet in his stable-yard, destroying much hay and feed.

Mr. Eppley's beautiful Glenwood Park, in the construction of which he has recently spent so much money and which was rapidly becoming popular, was dealt with in a most unmerciful manner by the raging torrent which came rushing down Second River from Orange. Statuary, chairs and fences were swept away in the flood. Many of the chairs were snatched from the stream by daring boys who risked their lives for their possession. It is understood that Mr. Eppley will get out a search warrant with which to recover his furniture.

Franklin Park, which was originally Dodd's Lake, was completely flooded. This park contains the East Orange Sewage Disposal Works. The water rushed through this building without waiting for chemical treatment. The sewage tanks were overflowed. A bridge erected over Second River in the park was carried away and deposited at the south end of the long bridge at Prospect street. The sidewalk recently constructed on Prospect street and Glenwood avenue is totally demolished in many places. The scene on Second River as viewed from the D. L. & W. R. R. embankment over the old lake property was a thrilling one. The waters of Toney's Brook and Second River combine on the west side of the bridge at this point. A vast sheet of water extending from Glenwood avenue to Bloomfield avenue presented itself to the view. Many spectators imperiled their lives in their eagerness to view the scene. The egress for the water under the railway could not meet the demand made on it and the water formed itself in whirlpools in its frantic efforts to escape. These undermined the embankment in many places and huge landslides occurred rendering the railroad track unsafe for travel. The company exercised great precaution in running trains over it. A careful watch was kept on the bridge as it was momentarily expected to give way. The cellars of the Brick Row on Bloomfield avenue were inundated. The fences and out-houses were carried about by the water and everything in the yards jumbled together in a mass of confusion. John N. Baldwin occupies the basement floor of Jas. Crisp & Co's. belt factory. The water accumulated to the depth of two feet on the floor. The flow of water was more than the the Franklin street series of culverts could carry off and it backed up over the land adjacent to the river between Bloomfield avenue and Franklin street. At Maxfield's dairy stables the water attained a depth of four feet in the yard and the horses and cows had to be quickly driven to the high land adjoining. The works of the Montclair Gas & Water Company were surrounded, and at one time Superintendent Causbrook feared that the business of gas making would be interrupted. The Brick Row on Newark avenue was a scene of great excitement. The numerous tenants anticipated nothing else but that their dwellings would be carried away. The ground floor of these buildings are occupied as basements and the families living in them lost considerable in the line of provisions. The river at this point passes under the Morris Canal aqueduct and the passage way allowed not being sufficient to cope with a freshet the surplus water spread over the land west of the canal. Reports of damage done came from all along the line of Second River until it reaches the Passaic. Hartman & Wilcox Satinet Works, Hendrick Bros. Copper Works, and DeWitt's Wire Works were all more or less damaged. At Silver Lake an attempt was made to raise the floodgates of the dam but they had been so long out of repair that they could not be worked. A passageway was cut out for the water, the heavy pressure of which soon enlarged it. The force of water carried off a part of the ancient grist mill. Travel on the Orange Branch of the Erie road was suspended, and trains for Orange had to stop at the Prospect street depot and return from there. A bridge over Second River near the Franklin district school was carried off in the freshet. A temporary bridge was completed on Thursday and through travel resumed. Trains on the N. Y. & G. L. R. R. were brought to a standstill on Chestnut Hill and delayed several hours. Landslides had occurred in the deep cut there that impeded travel. The large area of territory that is drained into this cut caused the formation of a gigantic stream which formed its course down the steep hillside of Benson street, doing great damage to that thoroughfare. Reports are coming from all parts of the town of washouts in the roads, flooding of cellars, destruction of lawns and flower gardens, and damages of a character usually following in the wake of freshets. Bloomfield does not suffer alone in this respect. Montclair, the Oranges and surrounding townships suffered great pecuniary loss. All attempts to estimate the aggregate loss from a financial standpoint is mere speculation.

SHERIFF'S SALE—In Chancery of New Jersey. Between Daniel M. Lyon, complainant and J. Banks Reford, defendant. Fi. fa., for deficiency.

By virtue of the above stated writ of fieri facias, to me directed, I shall expose for sale by public vendue, at the Court House in Newark, on Tuesday, the third day of September next, at 2 o'clock P. M., all those tracts or parcels of land and premises situate, lying and being in the township of Bloomfield, Essex county, New Jersey.

First tract—Beginning at a point on the northerly side of Midland avenue distant three hundred and twenty-one and two-fifths feet more or less southwesterly from the southwesterly corner of said Midland avenue and Washington street, said corner being the northeasterly corner of land formerly of L. C. Thorne; and running thence southwesterly along said northerly side of said Midland avenue one hundred feet; thence northwesterly and parallel with Washington street two hundred and seventy feet more or less; thence northeasterly and parallel with said Midland avenue one hundred feet; and thence southeasterly and again parallel with Washington street two hundred and seventy feet to said northerly side of Midland avenue at the point or place of beginning, being the same premises conveyed to the parties of the part hereto by Leonard C. Thorne and wife by deed dated February 18, 1871, and recorded in the Register's office of the county of Essex, in Book H 19 of Deeds, pages 591, 592 and 593, March 25, 1871.

Second tract—Beginning at a point in the Newark and Pompton turnpike one hundred and seventy feet distant from the lot owned by Horace H. Ward, deceased; thence running north fifteen degrees and forty-five minutes west one hundred and forty-five feet to a line (in the middle of Second river) running from the centre of the bridge on said turnpike to the centre of the bridge on the old road; thence south eighty-two degrees and thirty minutes east one hundred and eighty-nine feet; thence south nine degrees and fifteen minutes east seventy-two feet and two inches; thence south seventy-four degrees and forty-five minutes west one hundred and sixty-seven feet to the place of beginning, being the same premises conveyed to said Martin Croughan, deceased, by deed recorded in Book M 16, page 133, etc., of Deeds for said Essex county.

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